

Grace Pedemonte House
River Street Historic District
80 N. River Street
San Jose
Santa Clara County
California

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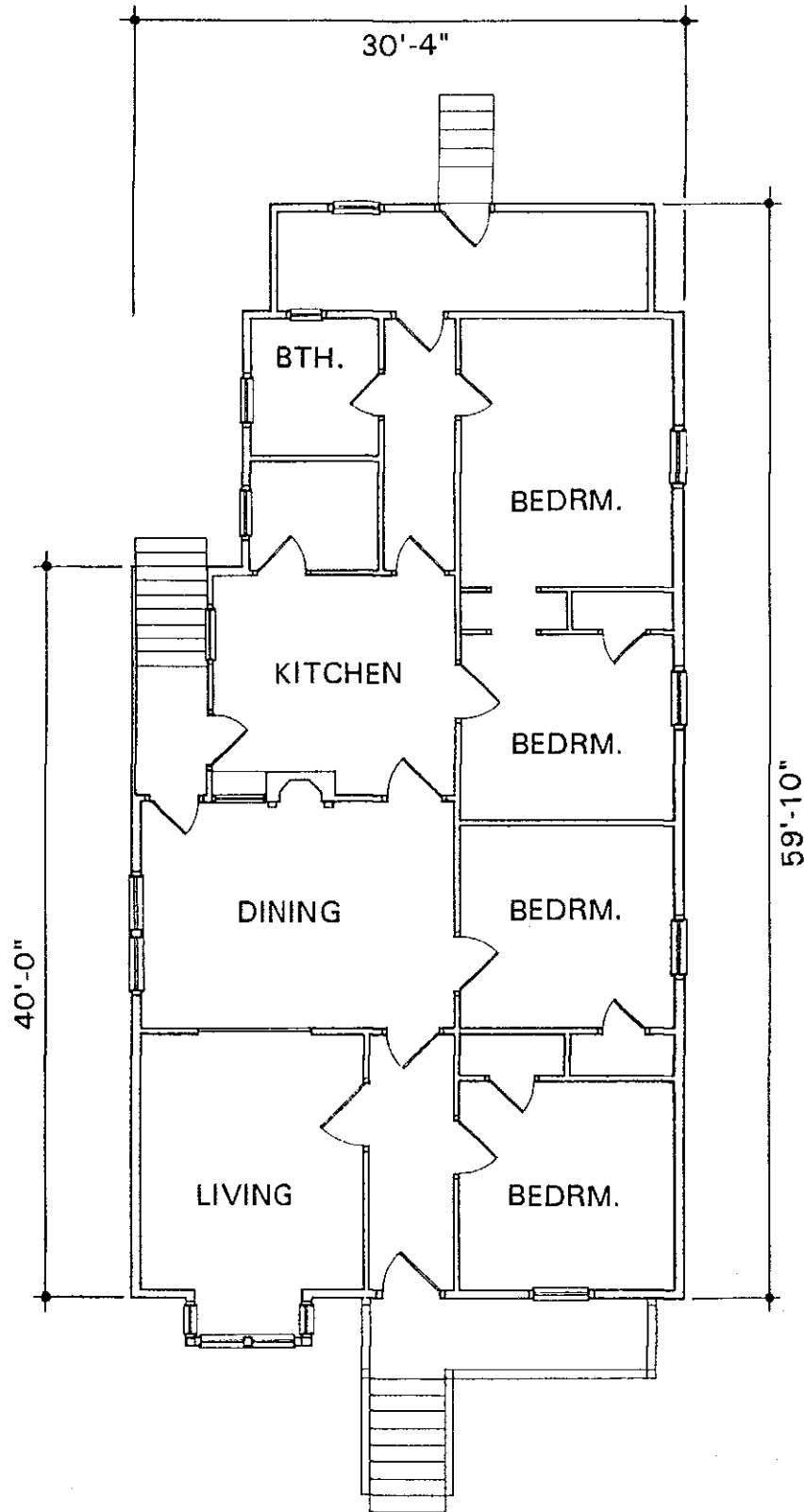
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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

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- Location: 80 North River Street, River Street Historic District
San Jose, California
UTM Coordinates: 10-597675-4132350
- Significance: The Grace Pedemonte House, due to its architectural integrity and contribution to the urban fabric, forms an integral part of the River Street Historic District, a rare intact late nineteenth and early twentieth century working class neighborhood in San Jose.
- Description: This structure is a one-story wood framed residence with a hipped roof, half porch, and squared bay window on the front facade. The house is clad in channel rustic siding and roofed in composition shingle. The bay is surmounted by a pedimented gable roof with a round vent. The original portion of the house consisted of bedrooms along the southern wall and the living, dining, kitchen, and bathroom areas on the north wall. A side porch accesses the kitchen and dining rooms, and an elevated shed was later added to the rear. The dining and living areas were originally separated by wood double doors (now sealed). The main floor of the house is at a higher elevation than other homes in the district, and thus allows for a full basement in the rear. The windows, similar to what is typical for the district, are wood one over one double hung. Like many other houses in the District, the house exhibits characteristics of a subdued Queen Anne cottage such as the brackets in the porch columns and molding over the round attic vent in the front gable.
- History: The house was constructed around 1900 and its original occupant seems to have been Charles F. Corey, a paper hanger, who first appears in San Jose between 1889 and 1899. He was probably related to Fred W. Corey, who owned the house across the street at 79 North River Street. In 1911, when Fred Corey first moved into 79 North River Street, Charles Corey occupied the house with Angelo Pedemonte, an Italian-born cook, and his wife Grace Pedemonte. Grace was ultimately listed as the owner of this property in 1924. Angelo died c. 1940 but Pedemontes continued to live in this house through 1960.
- Sources: California Historic Resources Inventory Form, prepared by Stephen D. Mikesell, 1988.
San Jose City Directories.
San Jose 1924 Block Map.
- Historian: Hardlines: Design & Delineation
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FIRST FLOOR PLAN

1" = 10' - 0"